



GROUNDWATER APPLICATION FOR BENEFICIAL WATER USE PERMIT

FILING FEE

\$1000.00 – Inside a Basin Closure Area

\$800.00 – Outside of a Basin Closure Area

Use one application for each source of supply.

To avoid processing delays, submit all required information.

Attach additional sheets if necessary. Attachments must be labeled as shown in the sections below.

ADDENDUM REQUIREMENTS

All Applications

- Submit an electronic Aquifer Testing Report

Basin Closure Area Addendums

- Submit a Hydrogeologic Assessment Report, if closed pursuant to § 85-2-360, MCA
- Submit a Basin Closure Addendum
- Submit a Mitigation Addendum
- Submit Yellowstone Controlled Groundwater Area Addendum, if applicable

Open Basin Area

- You may need to submit a mitigation addendum

FILING FEE REDUCTION

If you attend a pre-application meeting with DNRC staff and your application is submitted within 6 months of the meeting date, the filing fee will be reduced to \$800.00 inside a Basin Closure Area and \$600 outside a Basin Closure Area. The time period may be extended if measurements or an aquifer test is required.

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

Application # _____ Basin _____

Priority Date _____

Time _____ AM / PM

Rec'd By _____

Fee Rec'd \$ _____ Check # _____

Refund _____ Date _____

Applicant Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Numbers Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email Address _____

Contact Person: ☐ Contact is Applicant ☐ Contact is Consultant ☐ Contact is Attorney

Contact Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Numbers Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email Address _____

NOTE: If a contact person is identified as an attorney, all communication will be sent only to the attorney unless the attorney provides written instruction to the contrary. If a contact person is identified as a consultant, employee, or lessee, the individual filing the water right form or objection form will receive all correspondence and a copy may be sent to the contact person.

PERMIT APPLICATION INFORMATION

The information provided to the questions below is required for the Department to begin processing the application. The Department may require additional information during the processing of the application.

For any questions, please contact a Water Resources Division regional office.

GROUNDWATER PERMIT APPLICATION ADDENDUMS

Aquifer Testing Report – required for all groundwater well applications. Did you attach this report? Yes ☐ No ☐

Basin Closure Area Addendum- required if your point of diversion is located in a basin closure area. Is this addendum applicable? Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, you may need to submit a Mitigation Addendum.
If yes, you may need to submit a Hydrogeologic Assessment Report

Mitigation Addendum - required if your depletion of water will adversely affect existing groundwater or surface water users. Is a Mitigation Addendum required? Yes ☐ No ☐

Yellowstone Controlled Groundwater Area Addendum – required if your diversion is located within the Yellowstone Controlled Groundwater Area. Is this addendum applicable? Yes ☐ No ☐

1. DIVERSION INFORMATION

1.A What is your proposed means of diversion? _____

1.B When do you want to divert the water? Month _____ Day _____ to Month _____ Day _____

2. PURPOSE INFORMATION

2.A For what purpose(s) do you want to use the water? _____

2.B Yes ☐ No ☐ Do you plan to store water for use outside of your period of diversion? If yes, complete a reservoir addendum.

2.C What flow rate do you need? _____ ☐ GPM (Gallons Per Minute)
☐ CFS (Cubic Feet Per Second)

2.D What volume do you need for each purpose? Purpose _____ AF (Acre-feet)
Purpose _____ AF (Acre-feet)

3. SUPPLEMENTAL WATER RIGHTS

3.A Yes ☐ No ☐ Is the proposed water use needed to supplement other water right(s)?

3.B Yes ☐ No ☐ Will this application supplement contract water from a Federal Project, ditch company, or other source? If yes, explain

4. MAP

Provide either a 2009 USDA Aerial Photo or USGS Quad. Both maps can be obtained from the Internet or your local Water Resources Office.

- 4.A ☐ Note the section corners, township, range, and add a north arrow to the map.
- 4.B ☐ Identify the proposed point of diversion
- 4.C ☐ Identify the proposed place of use.
- 4.D ☐ Identify conveyance facilities or routes.

5. PHYSICAL GROUNDWATER AVAILABILITY

5.A ☐ Attach the Aquifer Testing Report, Form 633

Basin Closure Area

5.B ☐ Attach Complete a Hydrogeologic Assessment Report Addendum if basin closed pursuant to § 85-2-360, MCA and move on to Section 7

6. ADVERSE EFFECT

6.B Describe your plan to ensure that existing water rights will be satisfied during times of water shortage.

7. ADEQUATE DIVERSION MEANS AND OPERATION

7.A Do you have any plans to measure your diversion and use? If yes, please describe the plan and the type of measurements you will take.

7.B Describe how you will operate your system from the point of diversion to the place of use.

7.C Yes ☐ No ☐ Will your system be designed to discharge water from the project? If yes, describe.

7.D Describe and provide a diagram of the preliminary design plans and specifications for the proposed diversion and conveyance facilities and the equipment used to put the water to beneficial use. Describe the flow rate capacity of the system and include pump information if applicable.

8. BENEFICIAL USE

8.A Explain why the requested flow rate and volume is the amount needed for the purpose.

9. GENERAL PROJECT PLAN & PROPOSED COMPLETION PERIOD

9.A How many years will you need to complete this project? _____

10. AFFIDAVIT & CERTIFICATION

Read carefully before you sign and review with legal counsel if you have any questions.

I affirm the information provided for this application is to the best of my knowledge true and correct. I also affirm I have possessory interest, or the written consent of the person with the possessory interest, in the property where the water is to be put to beneficial use.

INITIAL ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS.

____ Pursuant to the requirement that I obtain a beneficial water use permit before I may appropriate water or commence construction of diversion, impoundment, withdrawal, or related distribution works, I affirm that as of the date of this application that I am presently in compliance with § 85-2-302, MCA and that I shall remain in compliance as required by statute through the pendency of this permit application process. By my signature below, I am providing my consent that DNRC may deem my application withdrawn if I become non-compliant with § 85-2-302, MCA, during the application's pendency. The Department must send me written notice that I am not in compliance with the Water Use Act prior to deeming my application withdrawn.

____ I am not in compliance with § 85-2-302, MCA as required. I understand that I have 90 days from the date the application is received by the DNRC to become fully compliant. In consideration of the 90-day forbearance by DNRC of any enforcement action for my non-compliance at the time of my application to provide me time to become compliant, by my signature below I am providing my consent that DNRC may deem my application withdrawn if I am not in compliance with the Water Use Act after the expiration of 90 days. The Department must send me written notice that I am not in compliance with the Water Use Act prior to deeming my application withdrawn.

I understand that making a false statement under oath or affirmation in this application and official proceedings throughout the examination of my application may subject me to prosecution under §45-7-202, MCA, a misdemeanor punishable by a jail term not to exceed 6 months or a fine not to exceed \$500, or both. I have read this Affidavit and understand the terms and conditions.

I declare under penalty of perjury and under the laws of the state of Montana that the foregoing is true and correct.

Printed Name _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date: _____

Printed Name _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date: _____

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